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Dear Sir/Madam:

Election

Upon reviewing the Office Action mailed on December 20, 2007, it appears the Examiner examined the original set of claims, instead of those submitted in the Preliminary Amendment of July 20, 2006. Nevertheless, in order to comply with the Examiner's request for election/restriction, we elect, with traverse, the claims directed to method of treatment (referred to as Group II by the Examiner), namely, claims 47-53 as appearing in the Preliminary Amendment document – which contained a typographical error regarding the numbering system and that error is being corrected in this election (there was no error in the payment since 26 claims were previously paid for). Additionally, please note that we would like to rejoin the non-elected product claims (claims 28-46) once the process claims are allowed.

US patent 5,830,903 (Frank et al.)

The Examiner notes that a method of treatment using quinoline derivatives is anticipated by US 5,830,903.

US 5,830,903 describes a composition comprising quinoline derivatives, substituted by triazole-group in all cases, whereas the quinoline derivatives used in the present invention do not comprise the same. Therefore, the cited publication is believed to be irrelevant to all currently pending claims.

It is believed the claims are in condition for allowance, therefore it is earnestly solicited that the claims be allowed.

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